

# The Active Voice & Passive Voice

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| Tense           | Active voice           | Passive Voice               |
|-----------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|
| *Present Simple | S + V.1                | S + is, am, are + V.3       |
| *Past Simple    | S + V.2                | S + was, were + V.3         |
| Past Continuous | S + was, were + V. ing | S + was, were + being + V.3 |
| *Future Simple  | S + will + V.1         | S + will + be + V.3         |

## \*Present Simple

Active: Marry **eats** a mango.

S. V. O.

Passive: A mango **is eaten** by Marry.

O. V. S.

## \*Past Simple

Active: Marry **ate** a mango.

Passive: A mango **was eaten** by Marry.

## Past Continuous

Active: Marry **was eating** a mango.

Passive: A mango **was being eaten** by Marry.

## \*Future Simple

Active: Marry **will eat** a mango.

Passive: A mango **will be eaten** by Marry.

## Use by

\* When it is important to know the agent or person who performed the action.  
- A ball is kicked by **that boy**.

\* When it is obvious who performed the action.

- Mr. Tom **was arrested** yesterday. (by the police)

\* people, someone, somebody, nobody, anyone, anybody, no one

Active: **Somebody** stole my car last night.

Passive: My car was stolen last night.

\* Always use in passive voice

-born

Where were you born?

She **was born** in Paris.

-be situated (located) = My house **is located** on Maple Road.

-be found (established) = Our school **was founded** in 1920.